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## Editorial.

THE two hundred and fifty subscriptions which expire and have expired from April 1 to December 1, should be renewed at once.

HAVE you examined the label on your paper lately? Do so now, it will be to your interest. You can renew now for one dollar, after December 1 it will be \$1.50.

TURLOCK, California, has thirteen subscribers to the EVANGELIST. There are few other places in the brotherhood with such a record as that. Taking this as a basis we should have 5,000 subscribers.

HERE are three things which should be in the home of every member of the Brethren church, the EVANGELIST, *King's Children* and *Cheering Words*. You can have the three papers for the small sum of \$1.50.

AFTER you have read the story, "Tommy Brown: Is He in Your School?" you will feel like going to work with renewed zeal to destroy all the liquor saloons in the land. The story appears in the paper for October 3.

A BROTHER writes that he has not received his paper for two weeks, and then adds, "I know what is the matter. Here is the dollar, send on the paper." It is the dollar that keeps the paper out of a good many homes, but his is not one of them.

CHURCH news has kept up better this summer than any other similar season of the year since we are in the office. Usually there is a dearth of church news during the hot summer months, but it was not so this season. How do you account for it? One reason is because the church is engaged in mission work and does not have time to become indifferent. New

life seems to have taken hold of us, and, the Lord be praised, it is of the kind that is not affected by the hot weather.

WE commend to our readers who are interested "The Chosen People," an eight-page paper published by S. Cahn, at 340 Jefferson Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y. It is devoted to Christian work among the 100,000 Jews in that city, and contains many interesting facts in regard to these people who are constantly seeking after the light. Terms, 50 cents per year.

THE paper will be enlarged November 1. The pages will be both wider and longer, and the paper will, in its enlarged form, contain the equivalent of about two pages more matter than at present. The church is growing and our institutions should grow with it. But the paper will not only be enlarged, it will be otherwise improved. It is our aim to give the church a paper that no member of the brotherhood can afford to be without.

WE feel confident that during the next year the Brethren church will experience a deeper work of grace than ever before, and with it will come the wider outlook, the larger field of usefulness and the more rapid extension of our borders. Let the whole church pray, and pray earnestly—pray as if our very life depended upon it—for a special manifestation of the power of God in the conversion of souls and the consecration of our all to the Master's use. Three things let us do with a will—work, pray, and pay.

UNDER the newspaper headline, "Better Times Coming," printed in a Kentucky paper, is the sub-head, "Whiskey and Tobacco Outlook is Encouraging." To this the *Youth's Companion* adds: "Much depends on the point of view. The most encouraging whiskey and tobacco outlook is that afforded by the recent report of the United States Commissioner of Internal Revenue, showing that in the last fiscal year there was a decrease of nearly a

quarter of a million dollars in the revenue receipts from the liquor and tobacco business as compared with those of the year before, indicating a corresponding decrease of consumption."

THE opening of the gold fields in Alaska has once more brought to the surface the greed of man. Men who in times past have cursed the millionaire and declared him a nuisance to society are now making for the gold fields, at the risk of their lives, eager to enrich themselves with the "yellow" metal. The *Chicago Tribune* gives very sensible advice to the young man who wishes to fit himself for going to the Klondyke: "Acquire habits of self-control and industry; be prepared to meet with firmness whatever discouragements may arise; scrape together two or three times as much money for the journey as the best estimates render necessary; and don't go."

AND now another mission point opens up, this time at Canton, Ohio. Read what Brother Kimmel says about it. Truly the harvest is great and the laborers are few. Not only is the harvest great but it is ripe, ready for the reaper, but where, O where are the reapers? Let us pray the Lord of the harvest to raise up men and women who will go into the field to gather the precious sheaves for the Lord's garner. We believe in the promises of God, we believe that he will make good his word. Let the church do its duty and the Lord will not be slack in making good all his promises. What, then, is our duty? Is it primarily to find men to go into the dark places of our cities to proclaim the gospel of the blessed Son of God? You say yes, but we say no. It is ours to furnish the wherewith to support the laborer and God will furnish the worker as he has promised. Do you believe it? Show yourself worthy by helping to fill the treasury of the National Mission Board, and the Lord will have his servant ready, depend upon that. Let us try it, brethren.